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Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 has been previously established.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.
- X No additional fee is required.

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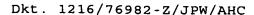
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 8, 2008 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to the October 8, 2008 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the October 8, 2008 Office Action is due on January 8, 2009. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.